

REMARKS

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant elects species 1, identified by the Office as corresponding to FIG. 3. Applicant traverses the restriction because it does not appear that there would be an additional burden to search or examine the non-elected species.

Claims 37-40, 44-45, 47, 49-50, and 55-56 encompass the elected species. Applicant notes that other figures, including FIGs. 1 and 2 not listed by the Office in the outstanding Office Action, may also support these claims.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned with any remaining comments or questions. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-3797.

Respectfully submitted,

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